

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel claims 1 - 6 without prejudice.

Please add new claim 7 as follows:

7. A process for the treatment of psoriasis affecting mammalian skin, comprising:
selecting at least one of a photoactive agent and a photosensitizing agent, the agent
having an electromagnetic radiation absorption characteristic enabling the agent to
absorb at least a first wavelength of electromagnetic radiation from an electromagnetic
radiation source, applying the agent to at least a portion of the mammalian skin affected
by psoriasis, exposing the agent to electromagnetic radiation comprising at least the
first wavelength of electromagnetic radiation, whereby the agent absorbs the first
wavelength of electromagnetic radiation.

REMARKS

Claims 1 - 6 have been canceled. New claim 7 has been added. The Title of the Invention has been changed. Examination and consideration of the application, as amended, are respectfully requested. Allowance of the claim at an early date is solicited.

Applicant notes that new claim 7 corresponds to claim 18 that was canceled from parent application serial number Parent Serial No.: 09/203,178.

It is respectfully submitted that the claim in the present application, as amended, is in condition for allowance.

If for any reason the Examiner finds the application other than in condition for allowance, the Examiner is respectfully requested to call the undersigned attorney at the Washington, D.C. telephone number (202) 887-4149 to discuss the steps necessary for placing the application in condition for allowance.

Respectfully submitted,

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